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JAPS SET UP MILITARY RAJ IN N. E. I.

Commander Takes Over Duties Of Governor-General

AIMING AT RESTORING PEACE AND ORDER—ON CO-PROSPERITY BASIS!

TOKYO, March 8.

THE JAPANESE ARMY AUTHORITIES AT BATAVIA HAVE INFORMED THE DUTCH AUTHORITIES OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A "MILITARY ADMINISTRATION IN THE NETHERLAND EAST INDIES", SAYS A BATAVIA TELEGRAM.

6-Point Proclamation

A six-point Proclamation to the Mayor of Batavia and other officials on Saturday contained the following, according to the telegram:

"The Commander of the Japanese forces shall take over the duties of the Governor-General. Local laws and the administration will remain, if they do not interfere with the Military Administration. The Japanese authorities will respect the lives and religion of the local populace. Communication with the enemy, destruction of property or resources and any act likely to disturb the financial or economic conditions would be severely dealt with."

Co-Prosperity Slogan!

The Proclamation declared: "The Military Administration aims at the restoration of peace and order and normal conditions in the Netherlands East Indies on the principles of co-existence and co-prosperity for all."

It became effective immediate, the Domei says.—Reuter.

JAPS OCCUPY PAYAGYI

NEW DELHI, March 8.

A Defence Department 'communique' states that a report from Rangoon indicates that the enemy have occupied Payagyi and established road block at Piyabon. Their intention appears to be to move to the west.—United Press.

JAP AIR LOSSES OVER BURMA

BOMBAY, March 8

The Associated Press special correspondent with R. A. F. Command, Burma writes:—

The Japanese air losses over Burma, on Japanese occupied airfields in Siam and elsewhere since the outbreak of the war now total at least 250 certainties. Many other Japanese planes were so seriously damaged that they are unlikely to return to their bases, but these are only listed as probables.

The foregoing figure is based on reliable information which I have received from high R. A. F. officers but the R. A. F. in Burma has recently been reticent about giving exact enemy losses, and is evidently following the same conservative policy as in Britain.—

Roosevelt On Lyttelton's Indiscretion

WASHINGTON, March 6: Capt. Lyttelton's statement that an American naval base is being built in Eritrea ought not have left Britain in Press reports, it was suggested at a Press Conference by President Roosevelt to-day.

Declining to comment on Capt. Lyttelton's statement, the President explained that if he did it would be an invitation to the enemy to bomb the base. He observed that he did not see the newspaper report.

A reporter informed the President that while the British censor had let out the statement, the United States censor had suppressed it. President Roosevelt remarked that this was a sound policy, adding: "Two wrongs do not make a right."

2 KILLED IN CLASH IN CONFERENCE PANDAL

DACCA, March 8.

Two persons were killed and several others injured following a clash in front of the pandal of the Anti-Fascist Conference held here this evening, Mr. Bankim Chandra Mukharji, M.L.A., presiding.

Business of the Conference was hurriedly gone through after the incident, and resolutions were adopted offering unconditional support to Anti-Fascist People's Front and condoling the death of Mr. Somendra Chandra Chanda. The Conference was held under the auspices of the District Friends of the Soviet Union.—A. P.

SOCIALISTS TAKE STOCK

Promise Of Freedom In Future Won't Alter Indian Attitude

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The National Executive of Congress Socialist Party of India met 'in camera' to-day. Among those present were Acharya Narendradeo, Mrs. Kamaladevi, Dr. Rammanohar Lohia, Mr. Purshottam Trikamdas and Mr. S. M. Joshi.

It is understood that the Committee reviewed the national and international situation in the light of the developments in war in all their aspects and as they affected India. At the end of these discussions the Executive decided to issue a statement expressing its reaction to recent events and in particular about the speculations regarding a new approach by the British Government to the Indian question.

The view prevailed, it is stated, that any new offer with the promise of freedom at a future date did not express the British Government's conversion to the principle of freeing subject peoples.

A prominent member of the Executive, when asked at the conclusion of the meeting would only said: "We examined the recent developments in the world situation. After a full consideration of the whole situation, we find ourselves exactly at the same position from which we started and that is that it would be suicidal for us to change our present attitude for a promise of freedom in the future.

GREATEST CLASH AHEAD

Zionist Leader On War Prospects In Summer

LONDON, March 8.

The Palestine Administration was criticised to-day at a conference of the Zionists Federation of Great Britain and Ireland by Dr. Chaim Weizmann, President of the World Zionist Organisation, for its refusal to permit the entry of 760 Jewish and Rumanian refugees.

Prof. S. Brodetsky predicted that the early part of this summer would bring the greatest clash of arms the world has ever seen. If Japan and Germany are linked up through the Middle East the greatest disaster of the war would have taken place, he said. Half million jews in Palestine could be a great Fortress of Democracy in that part of the world.—Reuter.

R. A. F. OVER FRANCE
Poissy Factory Bombed

LONDON, March 8.

It is learned in London that this afternoon a small force of our bombers attacked a factory at Poissy near Paris which is known to be working for the enemy. Other bombers strongly escorted by fighters attacked a power station and railway yards in Northern France.—Reuter.

R.A.F. EXPANSION

LONDON, March 8.

Expansion on the R.A.F. is reflected in the appointment of an Additional Deputy Under-Secretary of State to the Air Ministry. He is Mr. Robert Norman Duke, who is at present Secretary to the Scottish Home Department.—Reuter.

Nazimuddin's Cable To Churchill

CALCUTTA, March 8.

Khwaja Sir Nazimuddin, leader of the Bengal Legislative Assembly Muslim League Party, has, it is understood, sent a cable to Mr. Winston Churchill, supporting the message of the Central Assembly Muslim League Party, to the effect that the pledges given to the Muslims of India on behalf of the Government if interfered with are likely to disturb war efforts and lead to internal commotion in the country.—A. P.

JAPANESE C-in-C. COMMITS SUICIDE

Failure To Conquer Philippines Given As Reason

NEW YORK, March 8.

The Japanese Commander-in-Chief in the Philippines, Lieutenant-General Masaharu Homma, according to reports, committed Harakiri in February because of Japanese failure to overcome the defenders of the Philippines.—Reuter

Motorised Regiment Smashed

WASHINGTON: American artillery has smashed an advancing motorised Japanese infantry regiment north of Abucay in Bataan.

General MacArthur has transmitted reliable reports to the War Department that the Japanese Commander-in-Chief in the Philippines has committed suicide.—Reuter.

On Philippine Front

ENEMY SURPRISED

Heavy Loss Inflicted On Infantry Regiment

WASHINGTON:—The text of the War Department 'communique' on Sunday states:

PHILIPPINE THEATRE: An enemy infantry regiment moving to the front north of Abucay in Bataan suffered heavy casualties as the result of a surprise attack by our artillery from hidden positions. The regiment, evidently intended to supply reinforcements for the Japanese line was moving to the front in 90 trucks. The estimated strength was 2,500. Twenty-nine trucks with most of their occupants were destroyed.—Reuter.

SARAJOGLU TO MEET AXIS FOREIGN MINISTERS?

ANKARA, March 8.

Axis agents are spreading rumours of a coming meeting, in Sofia, between German and Italian Foreign Ministers, Von Ribbentrop and Count Ciano and the Japanese Ambassador to Germany, adding that it is possible that the Turkish Foreign Minister M. Sarajoglu, will be invited to attend. Nothing is known here about such a meeting but all quarters in close touch with the Foreign Ministry are inclined to ridicule the suggestion as to the possibility of M. Sarajoglu going to Sofia.—Reuter.

JAPS LAND ON N. E. COAST OF NEW GUINEA

LONDON, March 8.

JAPANESE FORCES HAVE LANDED AT A PLACE ON THE NORTH-EAST COAST OF NEW GUINEA, 170 MILES FROM PORT MORESBY.—REUTER.

JAP RAID ON PORT MORESBY

CANBERRA, March 8.

The Air Minister Mr. Drakeford in a communique revealed that Port Moresby and Lae were raided on Saturday by Japanese aircraft in two attacks. Port Moresby was visited shortly after midday and Lae raids occurred somewhat earlier.

The "Sydney Herald", Port Moresby correspondent, giving details of Friday's Japanese raid on Bulolo said that five Japanese raiders battered Bulolo for 65 minutes. No casualties were reported but damage was believed to be fairly extensive.—Reuter.

80 BOMBS DROPPED ON MORESBY

SYDNEY:—The "Morning Herald's" war correspondent in Papua reports that Saturday's daylight raid on Port Moresby was carried out by 10 bombers which dropped 80 high explosive and anti-personnel bombs. The Japanese released a meteorological balloon before making a run over the target. They have wholesome respect for the ground defences making off as soon as anti-aircraft fire opened up at a range of 16,000 feet. There is plenty of evidence that the Japanese are now operating over a wider area with increased strength.—Reuter.

FEAR OF JAP ATTACK ON N. COAST OF AUSTRALIA

Major-General Gordon-Bennett's Warning

SYDNEY:—Major-General Gordon Bennett, broadcasting from Australia regarding the great danger to the country if the Japanese attack in force, said that the Japanese would probably make a beginning on the weakest spot on the north coast. "In my opinion, the enemy will try to capture suitable air bases at Broome, Wyndham, Darwin and Northern Queensland, and then progress inland from the air bases. We must prevent them from setting foot in Australia. We must not allow them to bomb our cities from the northern bases.—Reuter.

MAJ.-GEN. CAMPBELL DEAD

CAIRO, March 8.

Major-General Jock Campbell died as the result of an accident.—Reuter.

Madame Chiang Kai-Shek's Glowing Tribute To India's Women

BOMBAY, March 8.

MADAME CHIANG KAI-SHEK PAYS A TRIBUTE TO THE WOMEN OF INDIA IN THE COURSE OF A MESSAGE TO A WOMEN'S MEETING, HELD AT CHUNGKING TO-DAY IN OBSERVANCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY, ACCORDING TO THE CHUNGKING RADIO.

Madame Chiang assures women of China "that the women of India possess great essential energy. They are specially endowed with the virtues of endurance and fortitude."

Referring to the meeting of the All-India Women's Association, which she attended while in India, Madame Chiang remarks: "When I was giving them an account of Chinese resistance and the outrages of the invaders, not a few of them shed tears of compassion."

OUR OUTSTANDING WOMEN FIGURES.

She continues: "I was only for a short time in India but I was fortunate in meeting several outstanding women figures. I met Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit and Begum Shah Nawaz. Each had a special attribute worthy of our admiration. Mrs. Naidu is a great Congress leader, and I was impressed by her exact understanding of human like. Mrs. Pandit is the President of the All-India Women's Association and the sister of Pandit Nehru. She is an able lovely and dignified woman, with all the womanly qualities we admire.

Begum Shah Nawaz is a great leader, and while talking to her, she made me feel I was talking to a woman general. She said that the services of the Punjab women were not in any case less than those of the men. From what I have said of these few women, you can easily understand the intelligence, learning and the character of the modern Indian women in general. They are hard working and firm in such a way that I have no hesitation in believing that when given adequate opportunity, they will certainly render valuable service in the struggle for freedom."

INDIA'S SPIRITUAL HERITAGE

Commenting on the value of spiritual strength, Madame Chiang said: "I have recently become aware that in the history of human endeavour, the physical and material force has determined success or failure only in a proportion of 30 per cent, while the spiritual force marked about 70 per cent."

"The main consideration before the minds of women to-day is not being happy and peaceful at the moment, but of acquiring happiness now as well as in the future. We must assume our part of the responsibility for the welfare of humanity", says Madame Chiang Kai-Shek.—A. P.

Nazi Punitive Expeditions Exterminated

Red Army Retakes More Than 60 Coal Mines In Moscow & Donetz Areas

LONDON, March 8

With the ring round the trapped Nazi Sixteenth Army in Staraya Russa drawing ever tighter, the large area in their rear being held by Soviet guerillas, aptly described as Hitler's headache, the punitive expeditions sent out by the Nazis to act as aspirins have themselves been largely exterminated.

Fighting continues on all sectors of the front with local gains by Soviet forces, who take more and more villages in their onward drive to reconquer territory in the rear of the enemy. After having broken the enemy's defence in its entire depth they will find, to quote a high Red Staff Officer's recent statement, "vantage ground which will give a wider field for manoeuvre."

Despite pre-occupation by the war the reconstruction has not been forgotten, but nevertheless it comes almost as a shock to learn to-night that more than 60 Soviet coal mines in the Donetz and Moscow areas, retaken from Germans, have been restored, and are now in production.—Reuter.

19 Districts Liberated

MOSCOW:—The Chairman of the Smolensk Regional Soviet, M. Melnikov, who arrived in Yukhnov, said in an interview with the Tass correspondent there that 19 districts in the Smolensk region have been liberated. In some towns and villages the Germans had stayed three or four months and in other six months.

These places still bear traces of their notorious "New Order." Yukhnov itself is a smouldering heap of ruins over 600 houses having been destroyed. Only one house remained standing in the village Radyukino, in the district of Dzerzhinsk, 4,600 houses were burnt down.—Reuter.

Defence Of Sebastopol

MOSCOW.—A vivid description of the life in Sebastopoll is contained in a despatch from the special correspondent of the Tass Agency.

The defence of Sebastopol, the main base of the Soviet black sea fleet, has now lasted more than four months. Each morning, the correspondent says, the streets are in charge of workers and with the assistance of Red Army and Red Navy men, they fill shell craters with earth and stones. Dusty empty trucks rush from the front line while columns of trucks with soldiers, provisions and ammunition move in the opposite direction. Men in naval and army uniforms sit in trucks alongside stretcher bearers, nurses and machine gunners.

Bitter Fighting

LONDON, March 6.

A German "communique" mentions increasing cold and bitter fighting on the eastern front where the Germans claim to have repulsed local Soviet attacks.—Reuter.

1,300 NAZIS KILLED

MOSCOW:—A Soviet unit operating on the south-western front in a fierce battle with the enemy annihilated 1,300 enemy officers and men, according to the Moscow radio. The unit also liberated two inhabited localities.—Reuter.

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS.

—Mr. K. T. Divecha, will read a paper on "Design of Cinema Studio" at the Registered Office of the Institute, the Sohrab F. Bharoocha Architectural Library, to-day (Monday) at 6-30 p.m. (S. T.). The President, Mr. D. W. Ditchburn, will preside. The lecture is open to the public.

STOP PRESS

CHIANG RECEIVES SEYMOUR

CHUNGKING, March 8.

The new British Ambassador to China, Sir Horace Seymour, was received by General Chiang-Kai-Shek on Saturday afternoon.—Reuter.

NAZI ARMY'S FATE SEALED

LONDON, March 8.

"The fate of the Sixteenth German Army trapped in the area of Staraya Russa is sealed", said the Moscow radio to-night in a broadcast to Germany.—Reuter.

Arm Indian People To Resist Invasion

Civil Liberties Conference Demands Removal Of Legislative And Other Obstacles In Way Of Acquiring National Military Spirit

LAHORE, March 8.

A resolution urging upon the Government to make substantial and effective arrangements for universal military training for the adult Indian population so as to convert the whole nation into an invincible army, fully capable of successfully repelling the invader, was adopted at the Punjab Civil Liberties Conference presided over by Mr. N. M. Joshi, M.L.A. (Central).

The resolution further demanded the removal of all unnecessary legislative and other obstacles calculated to retard the acquirement by the citizens in general of the desired national military spirit and military training on a nationwide scale.

RELEASE POLITICALS

By another resolution the conference demanded the immediate release of all prisoners detained on account of their political views without public and open trial and suggested the observance of a 'Detenus Release Day' throughout the Province.

JOSHI'S SPEECH

A fervent appeal to the Government of India and the Provincial Governments to release all political prisoners and detenus in view of the changed international situation, was made by Mr. N. M. Joshi, M.L.A. (Central), presiding over the Punjab Civil Liberties Conference held at Lahore this afternoon.

Mr. Joshi said that after the outbreak of the war the Indian National Congress and other allied organisations opposed India's entry into the war on the ground that the principles for which the British Government professed to have declared war on Germany were denied to India. The result was that a large number of Indians were put into jails and the Defence of India Act was enacted, which was a blow on the Civil Liberties of the citizens of this country.

1,000 STILL IN JAILS

A country-wide agitation for the release of these prisoners was launched which culminated in the release of some of them. About one thousand prisoners were, however, still in jails and the Government of India promised to review their cases, but the Government machinery moved very slowly. With the entry of Soviet Russia into the war the situation had changed. Most of the detenus belonged to the Communist Party. He, therefore, appealed to the Government of India and the Provincial Governments to release them and give them an opportunity to reconsider their attitude with regard to the war and then enunciate their views thereon.

PUNJAB INQUIRY

Mr. Joshi was glad to learn that the Punjab Government had appointed a Committee to inquire into the cases of the Punjab detenus, but he regretted that the head of the Committee was a Police Officer, who was responsible for sending prisoners to jail. Mr. Joshi, therefore, requested the Government to rectify this mistake.

Proceeding Mr. Joshi said that the situation had recently changed on account of the invasion of Burma by Japan. It was an opportune time for the Government to liquidate its old policy and release the political prisoners. A large number of them, he was sure, would lend their support in the prosecution of the war. Mr. Joshi added that it was their duty to fight the aggressor, but unfortunately at present Indians were not equipped with arms. He, however, hoped that the Government would provide them with arms so that they might be able to put up a successful resistance.—A. P.

HANSA MEHTA TO OPEN WOMEN'S TRAINING CAMP

BOMBAY, March 8.

It is understood that due to illness Rajkumari Amrit Kaur will not be able to inaugurate the All-India Women's Training Camp at Abrama in Surat District.

Mrs. Hansa Mehta has consented to open the Camp on March 20.—A. P.

"SELF-DEFENCE DAY" ACTIVITIES

Bombay Makes Good Beginning To Popularise P. V. B. Ideals

Armed with the pledge and enrolment forms of the People's Volunteer Brigade, two pamphlets explaining what the P. V. B. is and giving hints to landlords and tenants, bundles of identification cards and other ancillary materials and fortified by two series of Talking Points, issued by the P. V. B. headquarters, nearly 1,500 workers went out into the homes and streets of Bombay on Sunday to popularise the ideals of the P. V. B.

The P. V. B. organisation having been geared into full working order an all-out effort was made on Sunday, to enlist mass support to the work of the P. V. B. The activities of the day were collectively brought under the title of "Self-Defence Day".

75 MEETINGS ADDRESSED

Throughout the day, in every corner of the city, from rapidly improvised platforms appeals were addressed to the people to join the P. V. B. Some 75 such meetings were reported to have been held during the day. At all these meetings speakers tried to give to the people a clear conception of the dangers arising from war, what the P. V. B. is doing and hopes to do to meet these dangers and the duties of individuals, on the lines set out in the two bulletins containing Talking Points issued from P. V. B. headquarters.

Three DON'TS stressed in these talking points, which was scrupulously observed, deserve mention. They are:—

(1) Don't introduce politics in P. V. B.

(2) Don't use P. V. B. for anti-war or pro-war propaganda.

(3) Don't give the people a false sense of security.

Besides these small meetings there were two important meetings, one in the evening at Chowpatty, and the other at Dana Bunder later in the night.

DOOR-TO-DOOR VISITS & ENROLMENT

Volunteers of the P. V. B. also visited the homes of citizens in their localities and distributed as many volunteers as possible. The work of enrolment went on with great vigour, as volunteers vied with one another to get the eight prizes which have been offered for the volunteers who top the list of enrolments in the seven wards individually and in the city as a whole.

The sale of P. V. B. pamphlets and identification cards was also taken in hand. The identification card issued by the P. V. B. is a rectangular piece of red canvas bearing the seal of the P. V. B. on it, stuck to a printed sheet of paper, where the bearer can enter his own name and address as also the name and address of his nearest relatives or friends.

Although final figures of enrolment, sales, etc., have not yet been received at P. V. B. headquarters, reports from the various wards are considered satisfactory.

FIRST-AID CLASSES

The "Day" also marked the launching of a number of first-aid instruction classes in the city. Two classes, one at the office of the "C" Ward Congress Committee and the other at Govindwadi, Kalbadevi, are already functioning. Other classes were started on Sunday, one each at the hall of the Grain Merchants' Association and Janakibai Rokde School in the "B" Ward; two, one for men and the other for women at the Congress House; one in the "E" Ward at Telugu Munarwar Wadi, Shankar Pupala Road; two at the Matunga Gujerati Club, Napoo

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(Sd.) CHAS. R. GERRARD,
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Sir J. J. School of Art,
Bombay, 7th March, 1942.

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THE FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the shareholders of the Company will be held on Tuesday the 24th March, 1942 at the office of Mr. Morarji Padamsey at 55, Laxmi Building, Sir Pherozshah Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay, to transact the following business:—

BUSINESS.

1. To adopt Directors' Report and Audited Statement of Accounts for the period ended 30th June, 1941.
2. To elect two Directors in the place of Raj Mitra B. D Amin and Mr. S. K. Patil, who retire, by rotation but who are eligible for re-election and offer themselves for the same.
3. To appoint Auditor and fix his remuneration.
4. To consider any other business that may be laid before the meeting and may be allowed by the Chairman.

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1. STUDENTS from Burma and Malaya and other places, outside India affected by the war, who wish to appear for the Matriculation Examination of the Bombay University are informed that, as a special case, they will be allowed to sit for the Matriculation Examination irrespective of attendance. They will be examined on the course prescribed by this University in such subjects of the examination as they were studying before they left for India and will be declared to have passed the examination if they attain certain Standards which will be prescribed, having regard to the number of subjects in which they appear.

Applications giving particulars of the subjects studied at their respective places should be sent so as to reach the undersigned before 5 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 11th March, 1942.

2. Students from Burma and Malaya and other places, outside India affected by the war, who wish to appear at any examination in Arts or Science of the Bombay University are requested to apply at once to the undersigned for permission to sit for the examination, mentioning the subjects in which, and the centre at which, they wish to appear. They will be given certain concessions having regard to the courses attended by them in their respective colleges.

S. R. DONGERKERY.
Registrar, Bombay University.
6th March, 1942.

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Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ABDUL KARIM AHMED and EBRAHIM AHMED the executors of the Will of AHMED HAJI ABOO ROKADIA have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client free from all incumbrances.

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Dated this 6th day of February, 1942.

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(1) Share certificates Nos. 0816 820 for 100 shares Nos. 45834 to 45933 of The Vulcan Insurance Company Limited, standing in the name of Cawasji Jamshedji Kapadia.

(2) Application Deposit Receipt No. 82, Allotment letter No. 82, Allotment Call Receipt No. 942 of The Vulcan Insurance Co. Ltd., issued in the name of Narayan Shripad Rajhansa for 50 shares Nos. 2680 to 2729.

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MANAGING AGENTS.
The Vulcan Insurance Company, Limited.

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Legal Notices

NOTICE

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AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

LAMINGTON—"Ujala" 3, 6 and 9 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Bharat Milap" 11-15 a.m., 2-30, 5-45 and 8-45 p.m.
NEW WEST-END—"Doctor" 3-30, 6-15 and 9 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Beti" 3, 6 and 9 p.m.
METRO—"The Feminine Touch" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
REGAL—"A Yank in the R.A.F." 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Paisa" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Apna Ghar" 3, 6 and 9 p.m.
EDWARD—"Punarmilan" 4, 6-30 and 10 p. m.
CHITRA—"Shadi" 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p. m.
PALACE—"Birth of a Baby" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
HINDMATA—"Gharki Laj" 4-30, 7 and 10 10 p. m.
CAPITOL—"The Westerner" 4, 6-30 and 9-30
SWASTIK—"Garib" 3, 6 and 9 p.m.
ROXY—"Jhoola" 2-15, 5-45 and 9 p.m
CENTRAL—"Raja Rani" 3-30, 6-15 and 9 p. m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Percy Athos Follies" 6-15 and 9-15 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Payachi Dasi" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
BROADWAY—"Sajjan" 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Pyas" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
SUPER—"The Jungle Princess" 3-45, 6-30 and 9-15 p.m.
MINERVA—"Taj Mahal" 3-30, 6-15 and 9 p.m.

BOMBAY CATHOLIC SCOUT GUILD.—The annual general meeting to-day (Monday), at 6 p. m. at St. Mary's High School, Nesbit Road.

TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION.
Telegrams from Calcutta to Punjab and North-West Frontier Province circles are subject to delay due to interruption.

BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAVAN EXTENSION LECTURES—At 4 p. m. to-day (Monday), at University Buildings (South Wing, ground floor), Shri Durgashanker K. Shastri will speak on "Upanisadic Doctrine and "Bhagavata Doctrine," (in Gujarati).

PRARTHANA SAMAJ:—In connection with the 75th Anniversary of the Bombay Prarthana Samaj, Dr. J. K. Muzumdar will address on "Raja Ram Mohan Roy and Modern India." To-day (Monday), at 6-30 p.m. in the Prarthana Mandir, Girgaum.

COMMUNAL GOODWILL.—First public meeting under the auspices of the Bombay Peace Brigade will be held to-day (Monday) at 6-30 p.m. at the Congress house, when social workers including the P. V. B. Volunteers and Congress-minded public will be acquainted with the ideals and the activities of the Brigade and programme for bringing about communal goodwill Sjt. S. K. Patil will address the meeting on "Highest religion of man". Other speakers include Messrs. N. B. Parulekar, S. H. Jhabvala, G. D. Kulkarni and Miss Parin N. Nariman.

Medicos' Union Chief On 'Insanity Fair'

BOMBAY, Sunday.

"War must be considered as epidemics by us and treated and prevented as such," said Dr. A. P. Bacha, the retiring President of the Bombay Medical Union, at the annual general meeting, to-day, at the Victoria Terminus. The Union also held their annual luncheon at the same place.

Dr. Bacha thought that medical men should inquire into the mental conditions of the politicians who drag nations into wars. He believed that with the attainment of equality, fraternity and justice such calamities would be no more.

The meeting after adopting the last meeting's minutes, elected office-bearers for the current year. Dr. K. S. Bharucha was elected the President and Drs. B. B. Yodh and A. Kermally as Vice-Presidents.

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Car-Drivers Support P. V. B.

The general meeting of the Bombay City and Suburban Car-drivers' Union was held at Congress House on Sunday evening when Mr Iphazat Rasool presided.

Mr. S H Jhabvala in the course of his address explained the position of the drivers in connection with Ordinance No 5 issued recently by the Government of India.

Mr. Bhalachandra Mehta said that the call of the Government to drivers in emergency should not be a compulsion.

He explained the activities and programme of the P. V. B. and advised them to join as members. A resolution was accordingly passed and adopted.

FIRST-AID CLASS.
Under the auspices of the P. V. B. a First-Aid Class (in English) has been started at Congress House from Sunday. The Classes will be held daily between 8 and 9 p. m.

"Desh Sevikas"

At a meeting of the "Desh Sevikas" held at the Congress House, ways and means to try help P. V. B. work in the city were discussed, on Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Safia Khan presided and about 70 "Sevikas" attended the meeting.

As a first step in the direction of undertaking the P. V. B. work, it is learnt that a batch of "Sevikas" will attend the first-aid and A. R. P. lectures at Jinnah Hall, on Tuesday Mrs Safia Khan and Mrs. Madhuri Desai will attend similar lectures commencing from to-day at the B. E. S. T. Conference Hall.

It is also learnt that "Kumarik Dal" will help in the organisational work.

Bombay Makes Good Beginning To Popularise P. V. B. Ideals

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Hall and one at the Sree Samarth Bharat Vyayam Shala, Dadar.

Bhulabhai's Appeal To All Communities To Co-operate

A plea for complete co-operation of citizens of all communities with the P.V.B. in the work of self-help and self protection was put forth by speakers at a mass meeting held at Chaupatty, on Sunday evening. Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, President of the B.P.C.C. presided.

Mr. Desai, in the course of his address in Hindustani, referred to the reverses of the Allies in the Far East, and said that the Japanese had been knocking at the very door of India. In this respect, the present war was different from the last world war, in which India was not directly involved. It was for this reason that the Congress had found it necessary to undertake the work of self-protection. Though the People's Volunteers Brigade was initiated by the Congress, it was an organisation of the people of Bombay and had no connection with politics. It was only organized defence of themselves by the people themselves. He described the work of the Brigade and appealed to the citizen to make its work a success. Concluding, Mr. Desai said that the work of the P.V.B. entailed honesty self-scrifice and love for toil, and these were the virtues that he expected of all who joined the P.V.B. as volunteers.

Dr. Alban D'Souza appealed to all to act up to the occasion in the defence of their own country. He cited Gandhiji's words, "Be ashamed of fear, distrust or nervousness". But courage and prowess were not the only things, said the speaker. They had to learn how to protect themselves, and hence the organisation of the P.V.B. which was a non-communal and non-political organisation, and which was going to be run by the people themselves.

WORK IN CO-OPERATION.

Continuing, the speaker said, that the work of the P.V.B. was entrusted to seven different committees, namely, the Rescue Committee, the Transfer Committee, Requirement Committee, the Relief Committee, the Finance Committee, the General Committee, and the Evacuation Committee.

Concluding, Dr. Alban described the nature of the work of the Rescue Committee, of which he was the Chairman, and appealed to the members of all the committees to work in co-operation with each other.

Referring to the P.V.B. Mr. S. A. Brelvi said it was the duty of every one of them to co-operate because the work of self-defence concerned them all.

Referring to volunteers, Mr. Brelvi emphasised the importance of courage and fearlessness among them, so that they might face with courage all difficulties and emergencies of these critical times. He further advised the volunteers to combat rumours as they disrupted the morale of the people. The P.V.B., the speaker said, was a people's organization. Its work required the co-operation of all citizens irrespective of communal or political differences.

Mr. Silam explained in Marathi the work which the P.V.B. intended to do and endorsed the appeal for citizens' co-operation with it. Mr. Ashok Mehta asked the citizens to be prepared for all emergencies and to profit from the experience of Penang Singapore and Rangoon. He described in detail the work of P.V.B. volunteers, emphasized that the latter had only to work in their own houses and localities and appealed to citizens to join the P.V.B. in sufficiently large number to enable it to carry on its work efficiently.

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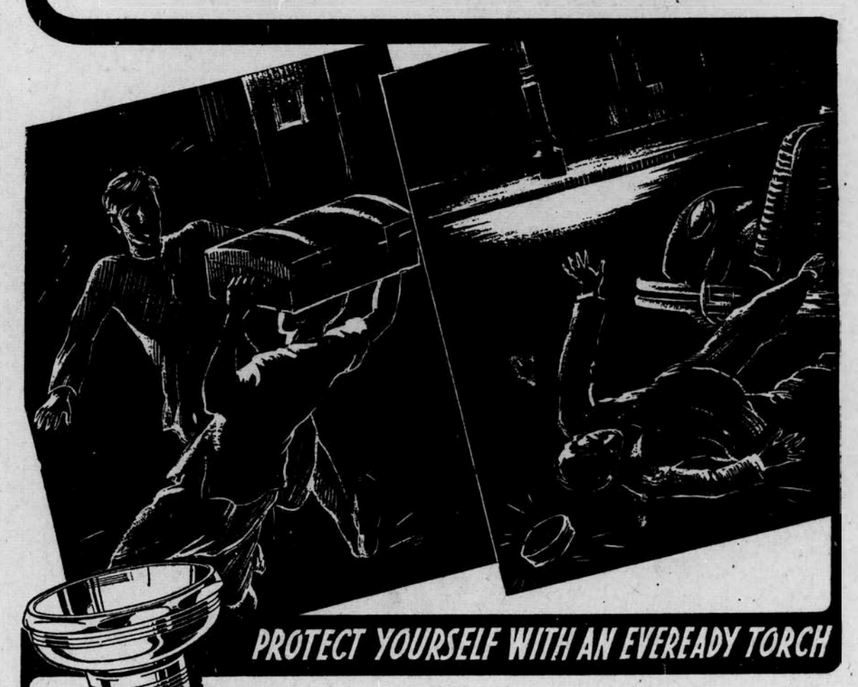

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CUSSED AS EVER

If Mr. Amery's speech at the Oxford Union is any indication of the new declaration of policy in India expected to be made this week, it is anything but reassuring. Referring to the weak resistance to the enemy in Malaya, he said: "It is absurd to suggest that some wider measure of local Self-Government would have made any difference. The examples of Siam next door or Denmark at the other end of the world show well enough that independence by itself offers no guarantee of the power of a nation's resistance. The same is in no small measure true of India." And speaking more specifically of the possibilities of army expansion in India, he added: "Nothing could be more inconsistent than that people who a few years ago denounced the militarism of the Government of India and the crushing burden imposed on a poor country by the then scale of war preparations should now suggest that millions of armed and trained warriors could be stamped out of ground by some political declaration." It is true that a mere political declaration like those that have been made and unmade by Britain in the past will do little. But that self-government or freedom makes no difference in resisting an enemy betrays crass ignorance of human nature.

Freedom And Defence

Mr. Amery cites the instances of Siam and Denmark to show that "independence by itself offers no guarantee of the power of a nation's resistance." Why did he not cite the instance of China or of Britain herself? It may be conceded that independence by itself is not enough to resist the enemy effectively. But when independence is coupled with the strength of 400 millions and almost inexhaustible resources it must mean much, at any rate, in a protracted war. Perhaps, Mr. Amery thinks that these millions of India are incapable of resistance or have no will to resist. It is true that the British policy of disarming Indians and the military policy in general have considerably emasculated them. Yet the Indian army has achieved great things, as even Mr. Amery admits, and there are mightier possibilities if the people are given the necessary training. Nor is it true that Indians have no will to resist the aggressor. They are determined to be free and resist aggression from any quarter. They want no mere change of masters. They want to be masters in their house. Though Mr. Amery may jeer at the possibility of millions of armed and trained warriors being thrown up by a free India, considerably more will be thrown up than there are now and they will be of a far better quality. If they should fail to have adequate equipment it will be no fault of theirs but rather of those who, though having undivided and almost dictatorial control over the Army and the Army Budget, have failed to secure such equipment

Amery's Jeers

Mr. Amery does not relish this last fact and puts the blame on the Indian critics of the crushing military burden imposed by Britain on a poor country. Indians, including the most moderate or moderates, rightly condemned the burden because India was needlessly involved in imperial responsibilities and entanglements, because the Army was not adequately Indianised and consequently the expenditure was unduly heavy and much of it was in the nature of a drain, as was often and often pointed out by Indian leaders. These evils still remain to a very large extent and continue to be rightly denounced. If the Defence was wholly or substantially Indianised in the past, India would have been far better prepared against aggression than she is to-day; and that, too, with an expenditure well within her means without the necessity of taxing the poor man's salt. At a very small cost a large militia could have been trained and held in reserve for an emergency like the present. If the University Training Corps were better trained and utilised for officering the Army, many experienced instructors would have been available now for training fresh corps. Again, the industrial development of India would have been much more rapid and extensive than it is to-day, making the task of equipping an army easier. But painfully little was done in these directions in the past years. Nor were things promptly mended immediately after the declaration of war, nay, even now the right Defence policy is not adopted, patriotic Indians are still distrusted, and there is still much galling discrimination against them. Only on Friday last the Commander-in-Chief opposed in the Council of State Pandit Hirdayanath's resolution asking for immediate steps to be taken to form a Home Guard for the defence of India, provoking the remark from the Pandit that "so long as the rulers of India regarded their interests superior to those of this country, this attitude would continue." And when in the hour of dire common distress it is pointed out to Britain that even now it is not too late to do justice to India, here is this man, whom we have still the misfortune to call the Secretary for India, to jeer at the talk of independence improving the defence of the country, Mr. Amery's final remark is: "It seems obvious that an organised community and a state or a group of states must displace the unorganised, just as machine production has displaced production". The displacement is coming much sooner than Mr. Amery may expect. Indian leaders are anxious that it should be as peaceful as possible.

Disquieting Situation

Those who thought they were rendering help to the Russian and Allied cause by their attempt on the life of Herr von Papen have done a great disservice to it. A Turkish communique issued on Thursday last—but not directly reported by Reuter—reveals that foreigners were involved in the plot to assassinate the German Ambassador, that the Russian Consulate had been cordoned because one of the suspects was thought to have taken refuge in it and that a Russian had been arrested as a suspect. It is further reported that the Nazis are trying to exploit the attempted outrage to the fullest extent. They naturally would, it is such an invaluable opportunity for them. But what is extremely surprising is that any one should have been so fatuously foolish as to believe, first, that von Papen could influence Turkish policy decisively by his diplomacy and, secondly, that all would be well if only he were bumped off. The whole unfortunate episode has resulted merely in creating a disquieting situation not only for Turkey but also for the Allies. Let us hope it does not deteriorate.

Apart from the fact that this kind of outrage, even if successful, serves no important purpose, it was singularly fooolish at this juncture. Circumstances demand, more urgently than ever before, that the Allies should make more and serious efforts to create for themselves a friendly atmosphere in Turkey and, indeed, in the whole of the Middle East. For various reasons the internal situation in Iran has been none too good. And now it has become worse with the resignation of M. Faroughi, the Premier. Considering the position and importance of Iran all this must, on the eve of the threatened Nazi offensive, be causing anxiety to Britain and Russia and even to America. This anxiety is bad enough. But now some enthusiasts have added to it in grave measure by their attempt to liquidate Herr von Papen. Turkey's importance in the Allied strategy against the Nazis is literally immense for the very sufficient reason that she is a bulwark of Middle East defence. If Turkey stands with Britain and Russia, Herr Hitler will have to be twice as strong as otherwise to launch his offensive. Statesmanship of a very high order is demanded, indeed, on the part of Britain, Russian and America to save the situation.

Humorist And Patriot

Among the few Indian humorists who write in English "G. L. M.", who was some years ago a member of the editorial staff of this paper, holds a distinguished position. His articles and sketches have appeared in several Indian papers including the "Bombay Chronicle" and secured for him a wide circle of admirers. Some years ago he published a collection of his writings under the intriguing title of "From Wrong Angles." Now he has brought out another volume, "Perversities", ("PERVERSITIES" by "G. L. M.", Published by the author, 100 Clive Street, Calcutta. Price Rs. 2) which is a collection of 34 articles published in several newspapers from the pen of the author from 1934 to 1941. The subjects range from Churchill to Omar Khayyam, New Year Resolutions to Nursery Rhymes. But whatever the subject, G. L. M. has some amusing—and, often, penetrating—observations to make. His satire is never bitter and he uses only gentle irony. He uses with advantage the Englishman's secret weapon, humour, in the cause of Indian nationalism and, behind the mask of a humorist, "G. L. M." reveals himself as a patriot.

Frankly Speaking

Welcome Indiscretion

In his first public utterance on his return to London from the Middle East, Captain Oliver Lyttleton made a number of interesting statements including a still more interesting indiscretion. The British, he declared, were now "actually in a far better position to defend Egypt than when the Libyan campaign started." This is not hard to believe because, compared with the British, the Axis have suffered heavily. Their casualties have been three times those of the British. And they lost all their material and equipment which they had been accumulating from Benghazi to Bardia through long and costly months. But what is hard to understand is why the British have not yet resumed the offensive. Another interesting information he gave was that a whole German air fleet had been withdrawn from Russia and was now operating in the Mediterranean area. But the most interesting was his revelation about a new American Naval Base in Eritrea, which "is not very big at the moment but is going to be a whacker." President Roosevelt, we note, has criticised Captain Lyttleton's indiscretion. The information may lead the enemy to bomb it. This is anxiety unjustified even by Pearl Harbour incident for the sufficient reason that work on the base has been going on for several months and the Germans know about it. But Captain Lyttleton's enthusiasm coupled with President Roosevelt's fear for its safety, leads one to the encouraging belief that the base, very likely Masawa, is going to be something really good. With British bases at Simonstown and Aden and an American "Whacker" in Eritrea, it is possible not only to protect the Red Sea and Persian Gulf routes but also to keep the Japanese Naval menace away from the Indian ocean.

A Free French Success

Fezzan, which the Free French have captured from the Italians, is an oasis in the heart of Tripolitania. But, as Cairo reports themselves carefully emphasise, over 400 miles of desert separate it from Tripoli and the coast. It is, therefore, of little strategic importance so far, at any rate, as the immediate land operations are concerned. But should it possess a good airfield—let us hope the Italians had one—Fezzan can render very useful service as a base of day and night aerial attacks on Tripoli and on the entire line of Rommel's communications from Tripoli to El Ageila. Meanwhile, both sides continue to maintain their state of suspended animation in the battle area. Of course, it is the unfortunate weather which both sides blame for their inactivity.

Mean And Unjust

Ever since the Governor of Orissa encouraged the formation of a new Ministry with the help of some deserters from the Congress a sad demoralisation seems to have come over the Ministry. Laws are being grossly misused to eliminate Congress opposition in the Legislature and thereby to save the Ministry and its Budget. As at a forthcoming by-election the probable success of the Congress candidate may make much difference to the Government, orders have been served, says Mr. Kripalani, the Congress Secretary, on the Congress candidate and ten provincial workers restraining them from convening or addressing any meeting for a month in the constituency. Those on whom restraint orders are not served are not allowed to convene a public meeting without previous permission. In some parts of the constituency slogans such as "Mahatma Gandhi-ki-Jai" and plying Charkha are prohibited. Village meetings for canvassing votes for the Congress candidates are prohibited by local officials. A proclamation is said to have been issued in some parts of the constituency that villagers should not attend meetings convened by Congressmen. If the facts are as stated, the authorities concerned are guilty of meanness as well as injustice. Congress workers and voters should, for that very reason, redouble their efforts to help the Congress candidate and ensure his election.

AXIS SHIP BLOWN UP

CAIRO, March 8.

An R.A.F. Middle East 'communique' issued to-day says: "Further attacks on enemy shipping in the harbours of Benghazi and Tripoli were carried out by bomber aircraft of the Middle East Command during the night of 6/7. A vessel loading at a mole of Benghazi blew up as the result of a direct hit.—Reuter.

No 'Scorched Earth' For India!

Sir P. Thakurdas Voices Opposition

BRITAIN'S INDUSTRIAL POLICY EXPOSED

TOTAL WAR FOR VICTORY, OR BUILDING FOR POST-WAR PROFITS?

"I can understand scorched earth policy in Russia where every factory belongs to the state. In India, where factories are put up by private capital and enterprise, I should like to put it bluntly: "Do Government expect that the masses and classes will contentedly look on when these factories on which their livelihood depends are scorched"? declared Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas speaking at the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce on Sunday.

INDIA AND WAR INDUSTRIES

NEW DELHI, March 8.

The Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and industry at its session to-day passed a resolution in which, while recognising that some progress had been made by India in the expansion of certain existing industries and the establishment of some new industries for the supply of essential war requirements, the Federation deplored the absence of any initiative or planned effort on the part of the Government of India towards the establishment of any important defence or heavy industries.

The Federation, therefore, declared that in view of the experience gained since the outbreak of the present hostilities regarding the dependence of this country on import of its requirements in several important and vital spheres, the needs of India, both for its defence and continuance of normal life, demanded the establishment and expansion of defence industries, such as the manufacture of aircraft, automobiles, ships, tanks and munitions, as well as heavy and key industries such as locomotives, machinery and machine tools, heavy chemicals, etc.

The Federation urged upon Government the desirability of utilising India's sterling credits towards the purchase and transfer of necessary plant and machinery from the United Kingdom or under the Lease and Lend Act from U.S.A. for the early fulfilment of these essential requirements for achieving a strong and self-reliant national economy as well as making India an Arsenal of the East. The Federation urged that the fullest facilities should be given by the Government of India for import of machinery, Spare parts, machine tools and the necessary raw materials and for obtaining technical personnel from abroad for the establishment of such industries.

BRITAIN'S SELFISHNESS.

Mr. Gaganvihari Mehta, moving the resolution quoted from a number of writers, including Mr. Guy Locock, a member of the Roger Mission and Director of the Federation of British Industries, who in an account of the Mission's work said that

"No steps have been taken to expand production as a result of the Mission's visit which are not essential for war purposes and he saw to it that on the whole post-war interests of British industry are not likely to suffer so greatly as was at one time expected."

That proved that even in the midst of a total war British industrialists and exporters were thinking not in terms of victory, but of trade and future competition in the post-war period. The development of India's war potential as also of Australia to a certain extent had been retarded by this predominant motive of Britain and by over centralisation of production.

IN EGYPT TOO.

There had been established in Cairo another Middle East Supply Council, which frankly announced its interest in post-war consideration of promoting British trade and was assisted in this purpose by the United Kingdom Commercial Corporation, whose activity extended to India and tended to compete with Indian traders and exporters. Mr. Mehta contended that in view of the alteration in the Pacific situation, the Eastern Group Council should be reorganised and converted into a Department of Production under the Government of India

AMERICAN VESTED INTERESTS.

Sir Rahimtullah Chinoy seconding the resolution referred to the doubts expressed by some speakers at yesterday's meeting regarding the exact scope and nature of the assistance and co-operation to be given by the proposed American Mission. These doubts and fears, he said should be cleared "and if we get the necessary reassurance that no foreign vested interests would be created, but that America would facilitate the strengthening of industrial war effort under Indian management and control by giving the necessary technical help and supplying essential machinery, the assistance should be availed of."

The resolution was supported by Mr. D. Khaitan (Calcutta) and Mr. Sankalchand G. Shah (Bombay) and passed unanimously.

BIRLA'S SUSPICIONS.

"Our experience of the Roger Mission to India has been none too happy and we have, therefore, to look at the reported American Technical Mission to India to explore the possibility of furthering industrial progress of India with a bit of suspicion", declared Mr. G. D. Birla, addressing the Federation.

Mr. Birla said that if Americans were given unrestricted facilities to establish industrial concerns in India, albeit for war purposes, when Indians were denied such facilities to promote indigenous industries, they had seriously to consider the position. Mr. Birla therefore, urged the Federation to examine the question in all its bearings.

Mr. Birla also drew the Federation's attention to all the implications of the scorched earth policy in view of threatened enemy attacks. He also pleaded for a closer examination of the situation created by the acute problem of evacuees. In view of the urgency of these matters he urged the Federation to authorise the incoming president to take up these matters directly with the authorities concerned.

Sir Chunilal B. Mehta, President of the Federation, and Mr. D. Khaitan endorsed Mr. Birla's views and the Federation gave necessary permission to the incoming president to take up the above questions with the authorities concerned.

INCOME-TAX AND PROFITS TAX ADMINISTRATION.

The Federation passed a resolution noting with regret the manner in which the Income-Tax and Excess Profits Tax laws were being administered at present had caused and was causing great discontent among the Indian Assessees all over India and urged that in order to redress the grievances of the Assessees, action on the following lines be immediately taken by the Government:—

1. That Indian Assessees and European Assessees be in every way threaten in exactly the same manner.

2. That the Appellate Assistant Commissioners and the Appellate Tribunal be placed under the control of the Law Department of the Government of India or of the Federal Court instead of the Finance Department:

3. That the Central Department in Calcutta and Bombay be forthwith abolished:

4. That the Income Tax Act and the Excess Profits Tax Act be in their application interpreted according to the recognised judicial rule of interpretation, i.e., Fiscal Law should be interpreted in favour of the subject:

5. That explanations given by the Assessee and statements of fact made by him be treated with due regard and be not twisted against the Assessee and adverse inferences be not drawn from imagination or upon suspicion:

6. That no arbitrary action be taken about the registration of firms or about the separation or jointness of families.

7. That accounts audited by qualified auditors be normally accepted and Assessees should not be harassed by calling for books of accounts, etc., and such explanations only as may be necessary for the assessment of income may be asked.

8. That a statement of total wealth be not demanded whether under Section 37 of the Indian Income Tax Act or otherwise.

"SCORCHED EARTH" IN INDIA.

Vigorous opposition to any possible adopting of a "scorched earth" policy in India was voiced by Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas supporting a resolution before to-day's session of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce recommending to Government "to encourage by subsidies or otherwise the cultivation, in place of short staple Cotton, of Wheat, Cereals and such other crops as are needed for internal consumption and are readily saleable".

Persons returning from Singapore and Malaya, said Sir Purshottamdas, had spread reports regarding what had been done there presumably under the orders of the military and for the better defence of the areas concerned. "I can understand scorched earth policy in Russia, where every factory belongs to the State. In India, where factories are put up by private capital and enterprise, I should like to put it bluntly: Do Government expect that the masses and classes will contentedly look on when these factories on which their livelihood depends are "scorched"?

He had only touched upon the subject but he wished to bring home to the Government that unless they felt diffident of retaining India they must give protection and inspire confidence among middlemen and capitalists who had sunk their money and handled the material.

If Government's policy was such as would demolish confidence they had to thank themselves. The Government of India should beware and think seriously before adopting "scorched earth" as a copy of what had been adopted in Russia and other countries.

NEW EXECUTIVE.

Following new office-bearers of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry were elected to-day:—

PRESIDENT: Gaganvihari L Mehta; VICE-PRESIDENT: Kumaraja Sir Muthia Chettiar; HON TREASURER: Dr. Narendra Nath Law.

Following were elected as members of the Executive Committee in the place of those who retired under rotation:—

Sir Shri Ram (representing Textile Industry), Sir Badridas Goenka (representing Banking), Rajamitra B. D. Amin (representing Unspecified Industries), Mr. Lalji Mehrotra, Mr. Harishankar Bagla and Mr. R. L. Mopany (representing Unspecified Trade and Commerce) Mr. Master (representing transport interest).

Following members were co-opted on the Executive Committee:—

Sir Chunilal B. Mehta, Mr. G. D. Birla, Mr. A. D. Shroff, Sir Abdul Halim Ghuznavi, Mr. M. A. Isphani (Calcutta) and Mr. F. N. Bashir (Cawnpore).—A. P.

THANK GOD FOR THE NAVY!

LONDON, March 7.

The British people must relearn lessons so often forgotten; that if Britain is to maintain firstly liberty, and secondly the standard of life which the people have set for themselves, sea power is absolutely essential, stated the First Lord of Admiralty, Mr. A. V. Alexander to-day (Saturday). He referred to the wonderful feats of the Royal Air Force in winning the Battle of Britain, but said that the navy had saved Britain from defeat during the twelve months that the Empire stood alone. "After Dunkirk we had not got half a dozen corvettes. Eleven destroyers had been sunk in three weeks and seventy-three more were in the dock for long term repairs", he said.—Reuter.

TÊTE-A-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

In Malaya British protection put an end to piracy and quarrels of minor states.

Without interfering with the traditions of loyalties and the way of life of the Malays it found opportunities for the creative enterprise of Europeans and free and effective co-operation of other immigrant communities, Chinese and Indian.

All these lived happily together in a world free from racial oppression and bitterness.

—The Rt. Hon: L. S. Amery

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We learn that Mr. Churchill had originally planned to make his statement on India last week.

He was well advised to postpone it for Tuesday next. He has now received the usual vetoes from Mr. Savarkar on behalf of the majority and Mr. Jinnah on behalf of the minority.

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Speaking at Oxford on Saturday, Mr. Amery declared "the examples of Siam next door and Denmark at the other end of the world, show well enough that independence by itself offers no guarantee of the power of a nation's resistance."

This is the Secretary of State for India's contribution to China's Day.

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By the way does Mr. Amery's Oxford pronouncement, it is asked, constitute the proverbial advance shadow of Mr. Churchill's statement?

But we need not speculate. The affir—we mean authoritative answer to the question will not be long coming

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Russian guerillas are working havoc in the rear of the enemy, annihilating whole German battalions and destroying war material and munition dumps.

They may or may not, deserve Orders of Lenin for defeating the Nazi spring plans, but Herr Hitler certainly owes Oak Leaves to the Iron Cross—or whatever long description the honour boasts—to those enthusiastic friends of Russia, who thought that they would effectively cook Hitler's goose simply by bumping von Papen off.

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According to Sir Stafford Cripps, "Stalin's plan is to defeat the Nazis completely and absolutely....."

Provided he is saved from his freelance friends in for instance, Ankara.

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President Roosevelt does not welcome Mr Oliver Lyttleton's public reference to a new American Naval base in Eritrea.

We personally welcome the President's protest. It virtually assures us that such a development IS in process of materialising one day.

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Captain Lyttleton said that General Rommel had received supplies through Tunis but not to a large extent.

He nevertheless did make progress to a large extent.

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Because "a bombing offensive of unexampled force and fury against Germany is to be part of our contribution to the efforts of our gallant Russian Allies in the spring," a Parliamentary Secretary has warned Britain to "be ready for German raids in reply."

In that case the situation is well in hand.

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The Russians announce that they have surrounded two entire German divisions in the Oriel area

The Germans announce that the Russians have broken through Nazi lines around Oriel at a few points.

The actual truth, therefore, lies somewhere between Oriel and Vyazma. In other words Triel IS encircled.

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The American was admiring Vesuvius.

"You have nothing like that in America," remarked the guide.

"No," replied the tourist "but we have a fire brigade in New York that could put it out pronto."

Make India Third Arsenal Of Democracies

"Daily Herald" Urges Br. Supply Minister To Do It Now And Win The War

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, March 6.

To-day's "Daily Herald" devotes great space discussing what India is doing for war and how she could do much more. Its military commentator recalls the part played by Indians—Royal Indian Navy, Indian Air Force, Indian Army—in different theatres of war, including the battle of Britain.

Its foreign editor, Mr. W. M. Towler, surveys India's war effort in the direction of production, which, he says, may be mounting up but he wants to know if it is mounting up as it should be. Now is the moment for Sir Andrew Duncan, New Minister of Supply, to make a rapid survey of the possibilities to speed up the efforts that have already been started to make India not only self-supporting but a great supply base for munitions of war. The object of the Roger Mission was to enable India not only to meet her own defence requirements but to make an even greater contribution to the general war effort of the Empire, particularly to equip and supply all forces east of Suez. Munitions factories have been built".

Mr. Towler maintains observers who are keenly interested in India's possibilities are not satisfied with the development of industry there going ahead with the speed necessary to make it a vital factor in the war in the East.

He adds: "Machine-tools may be needed for new British factories. This may be used as an excuse for not sending them to India but in the present circumstances they might be much more useful for producing munitions in India than here. They would produce goods on the spot, which otherwise would have to be shipped from Britain.

This is the moment for the Supply Minister to sweep the objections aside and concentrate on winning the war.

India's resources, both in materials and man-power, are vast steel production could be readily expanded to cover all possible needs.

America's decision to appoint her own Mission to India eighteen months after Britain gives the impression that Washington Administration feels inadequately informed.

Indians generally welcome industrialisation.

There is no difficulty whatever in finding workers for factories. We can build to equip India with what we failed to do in the past year. We can still do it. We must sweep all quibbles aside and provide money and materials immediately and we can put India alongside ourselves and United States as the third arsenal of democracies."

LIKELIHOOD OF A BONUS FOR LONG STAPLE COTTON IN AMERICA

Disappointing Action Of The New York Market

Bombay: March 7.

On Friday New York cotton was indecisive. Scattered trade and local demand encountered an occasional flurry of hedging against Commodity Credit Corporation releases, but outside support was lacking owing to Washington uncertainties. The session closed barely steady.

A cable received from Liverpool states:—Washington reports that the Secretary for Agriculture is considering offering a bonus for long staple cotton which has been notably scarce this season and is likely to be more scarce next season. New York circles expect United States consumption will soon regularly exceed one million bales monthly which will accentuate the shortage of desirable grades. With widespread substitution of cotton for jute bagging, New York interests expect Congress to pass the Weight Bill soon. Formerly jute interests are already to have blocked this legislation, but opposition is no longer effective now that jute imports have contracted to negligible proportions.

The rate for July settlement on the New York cotton market after opening unchanged at 18.67 moved up to 18.75, but closed at the lowest level of 18.62 recording a loss of 5 points.

Private Advices:—New York highest 18.73 +6 (10-47); Lowest 18.62—5 (1-37).

CHICAGO MARKET

Chicago grains were nervous with the temporary suspension of trading in Winnipeg wheat and uncertainty regarding Congressional action on legislation for restricting Government sales proving unsettling factors. Wheat buyers were discouraged by depressing war news. The market closed steady.

WALL STREET

Wall Street continued to operate under war and tax handicaps and continued bearishness over tax outlook and the apparent fall of Batavia adversely affected sentiment with mild selling causing losses up to one dollar. However, the market latterly steadied and a few rails advanced fractionally but the market closed heavy."—Reuter.

Private Advices:—New York highest 18.73 +5 (10-47); Lowest 18.62—5 (1-37).

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

New York: Small trade buying. Market quietly steady.

SHIPPING NEWS.

IMPORTS

Bombay, March 7

15857 bags copra, 8785 bags sugar, 100 bags arecaunuts, 50 bags plumbago, 60 bags rubber scrap, 30 bls mattress fibre 1434 bales rubber sheets, 1334 robbins coconaut Poonae, 1350 bales cotton raw, 200 bags gum, 30 c/s Yeast, 100 ctns butter, 29 cases hams, 200 ctns toilet paper, 534 pkgs ivory, 600 cases slate pencil, 77 pkgs corks, 431 bls wattle bark, 61 cases chocolate, 41 cases Lactogen.

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FOOD FOR CEYLON ASSURED

NEW DELHI, March 7.

The "United Press" learns that an assurance has been given by the Government of India to Dr. D. S. Senanayake, Ceylon Minister, that arrangements would be made to render as much help as possible to meet their shortage of food stuffs in the present conditions created by the cutting off of the supplies of rice from Burma to Ceylon.—United Press.

SINHALESE APPEAL

Release Foodstuffs To Ceylon

BOMBAY, March 7

Mr. D. S. Devendra, Secretary of the Sinhalese Association, Bombay, in a statement to the press expresses the hope that Indian merchants will unite with Ceylonese in making a joint appeal to the Indian Government to lift the ban on the export of foodstuffs to Ceylon. Mr. Devendra says that the Government of Ceylon made various efforts at the commencement of hostilities to build up a reserve stock of foodstuffs.

Vested interests in Ceylon made strong protests against these defence measures through the Indian Merchants' Chamber and appealed to the Indian Government against a measure that was likely to drive, in their opinion, the Indian merchant out of trade. The statement refers to the difficulty experienced in securing shipping space for the transport of food grains into Ceylon, the panic in the Burma Market and how at last the Ceylon Government was forced to come to India. The Government of India had put a ban on the export of foodstuffs such as grains, pulses, etc. Today a ban was operating against the export of rice.

The statement concludes with an appeal to the Government of India to lift the ban on the export of foodstuffs to Ceylon.—A.P.

TATA HYDRO-ELECTRIC AGENCIES

Messrs. Tata Hydro-Electric Agencies Limited, Agents for the following three Hydro-Electric Companies, report that the revenue from energy sales (subject to adjustment) of the said Companies for the month of February 1942 and for eight months ended 28th February, 1942 were as compared with the corresponding periods of the previous financial year:—

	For the month of Feb. 1941.
Tata Hydro-Electric Power Supply Co., Ltd.	Rs. 2,96,075
Andhra Valley Power Supply Co., Ltd.	Rs. 4,18,023
Tata Power Co., Ltd.	Rs. 6,68,478
Total	Rs. 13,82,576
	For the month of Feb. 1942.
Tata Hydro-Electric Power Supply Co., Ltd.	Rs. 3,15,850
Andhra Valley Power Supply Co., Ltd.	Rs. 4,44,899
Tata Power Co., Ltd.	Rs. 7,39,085
Total	Rs. 14,99,834
	For financial year upto Feb 28, 1941
Tata Hydro-Electric Power Supply Co., Ltd.	Rs. 23,90,653
Andhra Valley Power Supply Co., Ltd.	Rs. 33,09,500
Tata Power Co., Ltd.	Rs. 51,92,793
Total	Rs. 1,08,92,946
	For current financial year upto Feb 28, 1942
Tata Hydro-Electric Power Supply Co., Ltd.	Rs. 26,38,764
Andhra Valley Power Supply Co., Ltd.	Rs. 37,36,668
Tata Power Co., Ltd.	Rs. 62,24,706
Total	Rs. 1,26,00,138

RANJI TROPHY FINAL.

BOMBAY SETS HUGE TASK FOR VISITORS

DECLARE AT 506 FOR 9 AT TEA: LEAD OF 436 IN FIRST INNINGS

Mysore 1st Innings	68
Bombay 1st Innings	506 (declared)
Mysore 2nd Innings	33 (for 2)

A formidable lead of 436 runs in the first innings, was established by Bombay over Mysore in the Ranji Trophy final on Sunday. Bombay declared at 506 for 9 at tea-interval. Ibrahim got a well-deserved century but Mistry missed his by a bare 7.

A really first-class catch was accepted by Frank, dismissing Khot towards the end of the Bombay innings. He caught the ball one-handed, did a Micky Mouse stunt rolling on the ground, but stuck to it.

PLAY IN DETAIL.

Resuming Bombay's first innings in the Ranji Trophy Final, at the Brabourne Stadium on Sunday, Mistry and Ibrahim, the overnight not outs, faced Garudachar from the club end but the second over of the day's play saw Mistry back in the pavilion without any addition to his previous day's 93.

Mistry had played a courageous game and though at times he was subdued, for a short time he indulged in a merry hitting mood. He had played a faultless game except for one chance of stumping. (209—3—93).

Merchant now joined Ibrahim at the wicket, but he played an all-round game. The bowling length was well-maintained and only singles could be had. His partnership with Ibrahim yeilded 126 runs, out of which he was responsible for a chanceless 60. (335-4-60).

Ibrahim was steadily but surely going on for his century at this stage. Rangnekar who joined him lifted Darashah for a sixer but was sent back for a mere 26. (390-5-26).

Uday Merchant fared no better and was nicely bowled by Ramswamy for 22. (437-6-22). After this each player did a little bit and took the total nearer the 500 mark. Bhalerao indulged in a short-lived but delightful hard-hitting.

The best feature of the day was a superb catch by Frank which rolled him over on the ground but which sent Khot back for 3.

When the total was 506 for 9, with Raiji batting 29, and Tarapore batting 1, Merchant declared the Bombay innings at the tea-interval. The last two Bombay wickets went down for only 4 runs, Rajasekhar, claiming both of them.

MYSOREANS' SECOND KNOCK

The Mysoreans began their second knock after the tea interval, requiring 436 runs to save them from an innings defeat. Mr. Ram Rao and G. Ramaswami opened the innings facing the attack from Khot and Vijay Merchant.

The first bowling change was effected immediately, and Khot changed over to the Church Gate end. This proved lucky and Khot clean-bowled G. Ramaswami (10-1-7) Safi Darashah filled the vacant place. A double bowling change entrusted the leather to Raiji and Bhalerao. Bhalerao sent down a good one to Darashah and sent him back to the pavilion. (30-2-16). Ramdeo was the next man in, and at the close of the day's play Mysore had scored 33 for 2.

Mysore 1st Innings	68
MYSORE 2ND INNINGS:—	
M. Rama Rao batting	7
G Ramaswamy b Khot	7
Safi Darashah b Bhalerao	16
Ramdeo batting	2
Extra	33
Total for 2 wickets	33

FALL OF WICKETS:— 1/10, 2/30.

BOMBAY IST INNINGS:—	
M. F. Mistry c Vijayasarathy b S. Ram Rao	93
S. M. Kadri b Rangaiengar	29
M. K. Mantri c Vijayasarathy b Garudachar	65
K. C. Ibrahim st. M. Ram Rao b Thimapayah	117
Vijay Merchant c Ramdeo b Garudachar	60
K. M. Rangnekar b Garudachar	26
U Merchant b Ramaswamy	22
M. Raiji not out	29
A. K. Bhalerao b Rajashekar	18
J B. Khot c Frank b Rajashekhar	3
K. K. Tarapore not out	1
Extras	43
Total	506

FALL OF WICKETS:— 1/61, 2/201, 3/209, 4/335, 5/390, 6/437, 7/458, 8/495, 9/499.

BOWLING ANALYSIS:—

	O.	M.	R.	W.
B Garudachar	49	6	161	3
S Rama Rao	20	2	70	1
H Rangaiengar	24	1	66	1
Y Ramaswamy	24	1	81	1
M Vijayasarthy	18	2	59	0
S Darashah	5	0	13	0
K Thimapayah	2	1	3	0
B Frank	1	0	4	0
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U. S. Boxing Bout

NEW YORK, March 7.

Sammy Angott, world Lightweight Boxing Champion 139 pounds outpointed Bob Montgomery. 135 1/4 pounds in twelve rounds in a non-title bout.—Reuter.

CIVIL PIONEER FORCE ORDINANCE

NEW DELHI, March 7.

The construction of a civil pioneer force for service in British India is provided for in an ordinance issued today. The duties of the force are defined as (1) to carry out the construction or demolition of buildings, the clearing of debris the salvage of property and the rescue of human beings: (2) to carry out constructional work on roads, buildings, docks and aerodromes (3) to load or unload transport vehicles and vessels; (4) to perform work in factories, workshops and shipyards; (5) and to render such other services as in the opinion of the central or a provincial Government are necessary or expedient for the purpose of securing the defence of British India, public safety, the maintenance of public order or the efficient prosecution of war or for maintaining supplies and services essential to the life of the community.

The Central Government may subject to such conditions as may be prescribed levy a charge for any work carried out by the civil pioneer force for or on behalf of a provincial Government, local authority or industrial or commercial undertaking. The Central Government may constitute for any province one or more provincial units of the civil pioneer force and may disband or reconstitute any unit so constituted.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

I am a little surprised to see the indifference of the authorities here to do anything about the bitter criticism that has been levelled against the authorities in Singapore and elsewhere from which Indian refugees have come to us. Two Indians in particular have made a very strong attack on the way this evacuation business was handled. Nothing has been done to contradict these statements and nothing has been done to allay public anxiety that these "mistakes" (that is the most generous way of looking upon them) will not occur here in India if and when there is need for evacuation from any Indian city of women and children. Mr. Malal's speech at the Rotary Club was listened to by many who were shocked at the alleged happenings in Penang and Singapore. Again in Friday's issue of the "Bombay Chronicle" there appears a lengthy statement by Mr. Jumabhai of Singapore, which makes very sad reading for any self-respecting Indian.

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The way the Governments of the Netherland East Indies and of Ceylon have treated these homeless Indians is a sad comment on those Governments. A leaking ship, insulting treatment, starvation—these seem to have been reserved for our countrymen. Somehow we manage to rise above these taunts and insults and we must be a great people to overlook them and still be charitable as we appear to be even now, supplying rice to Ceylon, from which efforts have recently been made to put obstacles in the way of our nationals. But our day is coming. Freedom is bound to open its doors for us sooner or later and when that long overdue phenomenon occurs, I suppose no one will dare to deny us our rightful place in the world.

Meanwhile the Government will be well advised to do something by way of allaying the fears of the people of this country on the question of possible discrimination in the event of an emergency.

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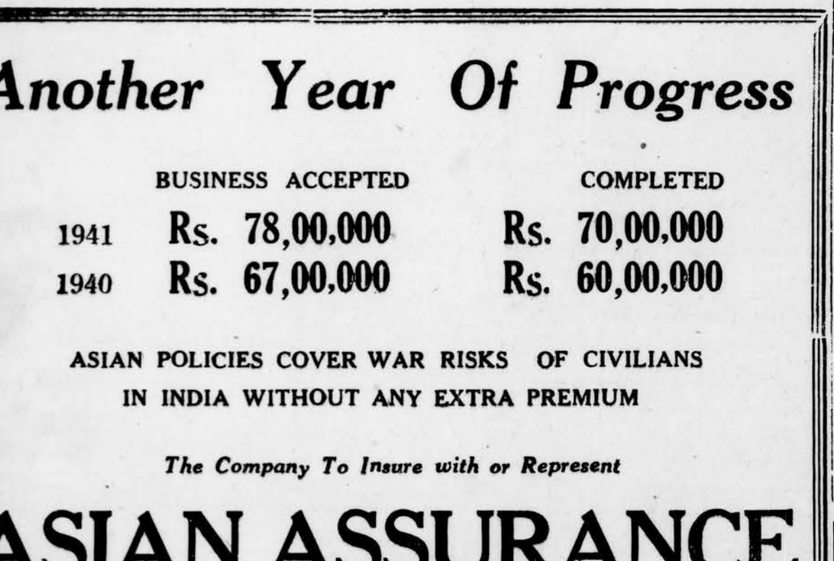
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GANDHIJI'S APPEAL TO JINNAH

Why This Distortion Of Truth And Vilification Of Congress And Hinduism In Press?

AHMEDABAD, March 8.

Under the caption "an appeal to Quad-e-Azam" Mahatma Gandhi writes in to-day's "Harijan":

I have been painfully but regularly going through the English weeklies that come to me and that are devoted to the cause of the Muslim League. I read them so as to keep myself informed of what the Muslim mind as influenced by the Muslim League thinks. Not a week passes but these weeklies contain what to me appear to be distortions of truth and vilification of the Congress and Congressmen and Hindus. What has prompted me to write these lines is a virulent attack on Hinduism in one of the weeklies. Here is an extract from the article:—

Attack On "Hinduism"

"Hinduism is the greatest curse of India, and it is based on intolerance and inequality. To call one's self 'Hindu' is to confess that one is reactionary and narrow-minded. No decent, civilised, honest and sincere human being who knows what Hinduism is and what it stands for, would like to be known as a Hindu or join this faith or primitive barbarians. For it is own barbarity that this so-called religion is based. No other word can describe the State of 97 per cent of the population who have been decreed by the gods and godesses of this precious religion as impure and unclean beings fit only to serve the remaining three per cent of the population. We would far rather suggest to the students to prepare in their laboratories of the mind deadly bombs which would completely smash and destroy Hinduism, the greatest menace to India's welfare and well-being."

I hope I shall not be told that the article in question is taken from another newspaper. It has been taken in order to hold up Hinduism to scorn: though the founder of this paper is Qaid-e-Azam himself and it is issued under the direction of Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan, Hon. Secretary of the League and I fancy that they have not seen the article in question.

Will Hindus Be Suppressed?

What will be the state of Hindus under Pakistan? Will they be suppressed as Barbarians? There is no attempt in the papers at looking at the other side. The policy adopted in the papers must lead to promotion of bitterness and strife between the two communities. If the end is to be attained through strife and force and not by persuasion and argument, I can have nothing to say. But I observe from Quaid-e-Azam's speeches that he has no quarrel with the Hindus. He wants to live at peace with them. I plead, therefore, for a juster estimate of men and things in papers representing the policy and programme of the Muslim League.—A.P.

Abdul Ghaffar Khan At Bannu

BANNU, March 7.

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan arrived here to-day from Kohat to spend one week in Bannu district for the purpose of preaching Hindu-Muslim Unity.

The citizens had specially decorated their shops in honour of the Khan's arrival.—A. P.

INDIA GOVT. MUST HELP

Sir Chunilal Mehta Urges Industrialisation To Make Up For Export Shrinkage

NEW DELHI, March 8.

The danger of excessive dependence on export markets and the need for rapid industrialisation with a view to creating a more balanced adjustment between industry and agriculture coupled with a conscious crop planning programme were stressed by Sir Chunilal B. Mehta, President, Indian National Committee, International Chamber of Commerce at its 13th annual meeting this morning.

Sir Chunilal said: "The wartime requirements of self-sufficiency in food and raw materials are bound to stimulate agriculture in most industrial states during this war, and it is hardly likely that the war-expanded agriculture would be "let down" by their statesmen after the return of peace.

It is idle to hope, therefore in my opinion, that India's traditional export trade in staple agricultural produce could be revived to anything like the pre-depression level of 1928|29 in the post-war years.

It follows from this that rapid development of Indian industries with a view to creating alternative or additional markets for the traditional Indian exportable surpluses of raw materials such as cotton, oilseeds, within the country itself, has become more a matter of necessity than a matter of choice.

NEED OF GOVT. LEAD

I, therefore, strongly urge upon the Government of India the necessity to seize the present opportunity to stimulate the development of all kinds of industries which would provide an assured market for most of our exportable surpluses of raw materials and agricultural products within the country itself. I am aware that there are many difficulties such as the availability of machinery, skilled labour, etc. in the way of inaugurating a large-scale programme of industrial development during the war. But I am sure that a co-ordinated and strong lead by the Government of India in consultation with the industrialists would enable the country to take the maximum advantage of the situation created by the elimination of Japan and relative disappearance of foreign competition from the Indian market, to develop major and minor industries in the country."

PLEA FOR LONG STAPLE

Sir Chunilal also put in a plea to stimulate to the utmost possible extent the production of long staple cotton and to discourage the short staple growths. Similarly he urged the curtailment of the area under jute by substitution of rice. In his view a conscious and deliberate crop-planning would have to be an integral part of the programme of industrialisation.—A. P.

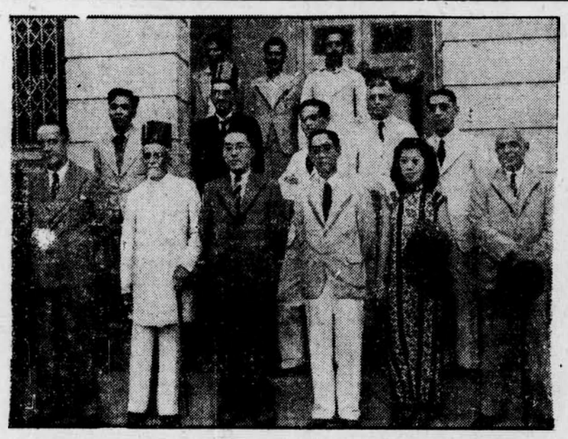
Delhi Women's Conference

NEW DELHI, March 7.

The annual session of Delhi Women's conference was held to-day in the Town Hall under the presidentship of Mrs. V. L. Pandit.

Mrs. Pandit in her address appealed to women to come forward to help their countrymen in time of emergency and to educate their sisters so that they might discharge their duties properly.

The conference passed two resolutions, one deciding to give instructions to women in A. R. P. work and the other urging better treatment to political prisoners.—A. P.



The China Day was celebrated at a public meeting held under the auspices of the Society of Retired Parsi officers and other associations at the Framji Cowasji Institute Hall, with the Chinese Consul in the chair. A group photograph taken on the occasion.

CHINA DAY

Nationwide Celebrations

Resolutions expressing sympathy for China and admiring her courage and determined resistance to Japanese aggression and offering aid and wishing victory to the cause of the United Nations were passed at public meetings organised all over the country in observance of the "China Day" on Saturday.

Reports of such demonstrations have been received from Poona, Madras, Trivandrum, Nagpur, Quetta, Jullundhur, Moradabad, Wardha, Peshawar, Allahabad, Calcutta and various places in Kathiawar.

A feature of the demonstrations is the collection of funds for relief of China, and flying of the Chinese flag along with the tricolour.

Santiniketan Greets China

SANTINIKETAN, March 7.

'Such occasions remind us of the age-long friendship between India and China based on exchange of cultural and spiritual gifts", said principal Kshiti Mohon Sen presiding over a meeting held here, this evening, in observance of China Day.

Prof. Tan Yun Shan expressed gratitude, on behalf of China, for India's sympathy, for the Chinese people, and remarked that the two pacifist nations, the Chinese and the Indians, comprising about half of the world's population should be united once again and help the world in getting out of the present chaos. All departments of the Vishwa Bharathi remained closed today in celebration of the China Day.—A. P.

Mrs. Pandit On Scope Of Constuctive Work

NEW DELHI, Mar. 6.

Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, who arrived here to-day in connection with the Delhi Women's League meeting to-morrow, addressed a public meeting this evening. Mr. Asaf Ali presided.

Mrs. Pandit said there was enough scope for constructive work and Congress workers in particular should devote themselves to the task of preparing the people to meet any situation that might arise.—A. P.

Wavell In Viceroy's Executive

LONDON, March 6.

General Sir Archibald Wavell is appointed member of the Executive Council of the Governor-General of India in succession to General Sir Alan Bartley.—Reuter.

NAWAB OF MAMDOT DEAD

President Of Punjab Muslim League

LAHORE, March 8.

Nawab Sir Shahnawaz Khan of Mamdot, President of the Punjab Provincial Muslim League, suddenly died at 3 this morning sequed to a heart attack. The funeral will take place at 4 p.m.

The Nawab was the chairman of the Reception Committee of the Lahore Session of the All-India Muslim League which adopted what is known as the Pakistan resolution. He was a member of the Punjab Legislative Assembly.—A. P.

JINNAH'S CONDOLENCE

NEW DELHI:—"I am deeply grieved to hear of the sad news of the sudden death of the Nawab of Mamdot," says Mr. M. A. Jinnah in a statement. He rendered very great services to the League and to Mussalmans. It is an irreparable loss not only to the Mussalmans of the Punjab but to the Muslim League."

JAWAHAR DEPUTES KACHRU TO BHOPAL

ALLAHABAD, March 8.

It is understood that Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, who had talks with Mr. Kanaiyalal Vaidya of the Central India States Peoples' Conference regarding the situation in those States, has deputed Pandit Dwarakanath Kachru to visit Bhopal and study the conditions in that State.

Mr. Vaidya had also met Pandit Dwarakanath and acquainted him with the activities of the Bhopal State Peoples' Conference.

Pandit Dwarakanath Kachru is leaving for Bhopal on March 12.—United Press.

Do Not Get Panicky, Says Jawahar

ALLAHABAD, March 7.

Despite rain occassional hail and inclement weather a public meeting was addressed by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru last night, under the auspices of the Muthigan Halqa Congress Committee.

Pandit Nehru mainly dealt with the duty of the people if normal life were to be disturbed by air raids. He advised people to organise themselves to help each other and not to get panicky and emphasised upon the programme chalked out by the Congress.

Made special mention of the brave fight put up by the people of China.—A. P.

MEDICOS GIVE UP STRIKE

CALCUTTA, March 8.

The students' strike in the Campbell Medical School which was continuing for the last twelve days, was called off to-day unconditionally.

IRAN CABINET CRISIS

Premier Furoughi Leaves Teheran

LONDON, March 7.

Mr. Furoughi has abandoned the task of forming another ministry writes Reuter's special correspondent. He has now left Teheran. Before his departure he left a letter for the Chamber, in which he declared that the "Crisis is surpassing my powers. It is impossible that I accept the premiership and form a Cabinet". Mr Furoughi's decision follows a week's ministerial crisis and cabinet making efforts, in which the Shah had asked him to make a further effort to form a ministry —Reuter.

EXERCISE PREROGATIVE OF CLEMENCY

Malayalees' Appeal To Governor To Commute Sentence On Sri Gopalan

BOMBAY, Sunday.

A meeting of the Kerala residents of Bombay was held this afternoon at the Marwari Vidyalaya Hall to protest against the sentence of death passed on Mr. K. P. R. Gopalan, a political leader of Malabar. Dr. K. B. Menon presided.

Moving a resolution appealing to the Governor to show clemency to the condemned man Dr. P. S. Nair, Captain of the National Guards, said that the day when the untoward incidents which led to the death of a Police Sub-Inspector was fixed by the Congress Working Committee to protest against Mr. Amery's declaration on behalf of India. The day was not fixed by Mr. Gopalan, and hence the idea of pre-meditation was to be ruled out. The clash with the police was incidental and so was the death of a Police Officer.

The important newspapers of Kerala had voiced their dissatisfaction with the Government in making one man pay with his life, for the fury of a mob.

The fact that the jury in the original trial found him not guilty, indicated that it was not Mr. Gopalan's responsibility.

The following two resolutions were passed at the meeting:—

"This meeting of the Malayalees of Bombay expresses their profound sorrow and anxiety over the sentence of death passed on Sri K. P. R. Gopalan by the Madras High Court in the Morazha Case. Though the High Court has held that Sri Gopalan was responsible for the death of the Sub-Inspector, the majority of people of Kerala firmly believe in the innocence of Sri Gopalan. He is a youth, who, by his selfless and manifold services and sacrifices, especially in the cause of peasants and workers during the last 10 years, has won the love and admiration of the people of Kerala. They look with grave suspicion on evidence, which seeks to make one individual mainly responsible for the consequences of a conflict between the police and people. This meeting requests His Excellency the Governor of Madras to take into consideration these facts and the youth of Sri Gopalan and exercise the prerogative of clemency; and this meeting wishes to impress upon His Excellency that it will be a grave injustice if the death sentence is not commuted."

By another resolution the meeting invited the attention of the A. I. C. C., A. I. T. U. C., A. I. K. S., A. I. S. F., A. I. C. S. P. and other All-India organisations and leaders to the above matter, and appealed to them to take the same into serious and immediate consideration and do all that is urgently needed to save Sri K. P. R. Gopalan.

Moving the resolution Mr. Abid Ali Jaferbhai gave a personal narrative of his acquaintance with Mr. Gopalan and paid a tribute to his character, patriotism and integrity. He was loved by the people he served so devotedly. It was not a strange story in this country to hear patriots being marched to gallows. Mr. Gopalan was believed by the people to be innocent of the crime with which he was charged. He hoped that leaders and All-India organisations would exert their mighty influence to save Mr. Gopalan from the gallows.

The meeting also appointed a Committee to do all that is necessary in this connection.

Among other speakers were, Messrs. K. K. Menon, D. G. Sakrikar, K. T. Chaudhry and P. Balan.

LONG LIVE FRANCE!

Communist Deputy's Last Message From Behind Prison Bars

LONDON, March 8.

A few minutes before he was shot as "hostage" in a Paris prison, Gabriel Peri, Communist Deputy and Foreign Editor of "L'Humanite' wrote, "Let my friends know that I have remained faithful to the ideal that I have held all my life. Let my countrymen know that I died so that France might live".

This formed part of his last letter which has just reached Free French headquarters in London. His letter continues "For the last time, I examine my conscience. I have no feelings of remorse. I would follow the same road if I had to start again. In few minutes I shall make my contribution to the coming of radiant dawn. Adieu, and long live France".—Reuter.

SINO-IRAQ AGREEMENT!

CHUNGKING, March 7.

Negotiations between China and Iraq for a treaty of friendship are nearing conclusion, it is learned in usually well-informed circles in Chungking.

The Chinese Minister to Turkey is conducting negotiations in Baghdad.

It is understood that the proposed draft pledges permanent friendship between the two countries and provides for mutual exchange of diplomatic and consular representatives and opening for trade relations.—Reuter.

BRAZIL TO HIT BAC

RIO DE JANEIRO, March 8.

The Brazilian Government having been informed that Brazilian diplomatic and consular officials in Japan are in a situation of "distress and constraint, incompatible with international usage", intends to mete out similar treatment to Japanese officials in Brazil, states an official "communique". The Brazilian Ambassador in Tokyo has been cut off from outside communication, the Embassy has been occupied by civil and military police forces, and embassy officials are treated as prisoners of war.

The "communique" adds that the Brazilian Government finds itself forced to accord to the Japanese Ambassador and officials in Brazil treatment on a par with that which Brazilian diplomats and officials are receiving Japan.—Reuter.

PLAN TO TACKLE PROFITEERING

LONDON, March 6.

A general order to the people and men in his command has been issued by the Commander-in-Chief of Portsmouth, Admiral Sir William James asking that serious cases of profiteering be reported to appropriate authorities.

The Admiral says Britain is now fighting the fiercest war of all time and soldiers, sailors and airmen are daily giving their lives to their country, while decent men and women are being constantly exasperated because "we are nourishing in our midst individuals who have been so aptly described as vermin."

They are doing nothing whatsoever to help the war effort but instead are thriving in sleep comfort on the proceeds of illicit dealings in commodities necessary to the well being of the people.—Reuter.

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